

§ 27.606 Complaints against Guard Band Managers.

Guard Band Managers are expected to resolve disputes with their customers or disputes between multiple customers of the Guard Band Manager in the same manner that the parties would resolve other commercial disputes arising out of the spectrum user agreement. The Commission will also consider complaints filed against a Guard Band Manager for violating the Communications Act or the Commission's regulations or policies. When there is a dispute between a Guard Band Manager, or its spectrum user, and a non-contracting party, and the Guard Band Manager is unable or unwilling to resolve such dispute in a timely fashion, the non-contracting party may file a complaint with the Commission pursuant to §1.41 of this chapter.

§ 27.607 Performance requirements and annual reporting requirement.

(a) Guard Band Managers are subject to the performance requirements specified in §27.14(a).

(b) Guard Band Managers are required to file an annual report providing the Commission with information about the manner in which their spectrum is being utilized. Such reports shall be filed with the Commission on a calendar year basis, no later than the March 1 following the close of each calendar year, unless another filing date is specified by Public Notice.

(c) Guard Band Managers must, at a minimum, include the following information in their annual reports:

(1) The total number of spectrum users and the number of those users that are affiliates of the Guard Band Manager;

(2) The amount of the Guard Band Manager's spectrum being used by the Guard Band Manager's affiliates in any part of the licensed service area;

(3) The amount of Guard Band Manager's spectrum being used pursuant to agreements with unaffiliated third parties;

(4) The nature of the spectrum use of the Guard Band Manager's customers; and

(5) The length of the term of each spectrum user agreement.

(d) The specific information that Guard Band Managers will provide and the procedures that they will follow in submitting their annual reports will be announced in a Public Notice issued by the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

Subpart H—Competitive Bidding Procedures for the 698–746 MHz Band

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§ 27.701 698–746 MHz bands subject to competitive bidding.

Mutually exclusive initial applications for licenses in the 698–746 MHz band are subject to competitive bidding. The general competitive bidding procedures set forth in part 1, subpart Q of this chapter will apply unless otherwise provided in this subpart.

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§ 27.702 Designated entities.

(a) *Eligibility for small business provisions.* (1) An entrepreneur is an entity that, together with its controlling interests and affiliates, has average gross revenues not exceeding \$3 million for the preceding three years. This definition applies only with respect to licenses in Block C (710–716 MHz and 740–746 MHz) as specified in §27.5(c)(1).

(2) A very small business is an entity that, together with its controlling interests and affiliates, has average gross revenues not exceeding \$15 million for the preceding three years.

(3) A small business is an entity that, together with its controlling interests and affiliates, has average gross revenues not exceeding \$40 million for the preceding three years.

(b) *Bidding credits.* A winning bidder that qualifies as an entrepreneur, as defined in this section, or a consortium of entrepreneurs may use the bidding credit specified in §1.2110(f)(2)(i) of this chapter. A winning bidder that qualifies as a very small business, as defined in this section, or a consortium of very small businesses may use the bidding credit specified in §1.2110(f)(2)(ii) of this chapter. A winning bidder that qualifies as a small business, as defined